access lines currently being served by the acquiring carrier and the number of access lines in the acquired exchanges.

(1) To compute the composite allocation factors and, if applicable, the composite category percentage relationships of the acquiring company, the acquiring carrier shall first sum its existing (pre-purchase) access lines (A) with the total access lines acquired from selling company (B). Then, multiply its factors and category relationship percentages by (A/(A+B)) and those of the selling company by (B/(A+B)) and sum the results.

(2) For carriers subject to a freeze of category relationships, the acquiring carrier should remove all categories of investment from the selling carrier's list of frozen category relationships where no such category investment exists within the sold exchange(s). The seller's remaining category relationships must then be increased proportionately to total 100 percent. Then, the adjusted seller's category relationships must be combined with those of the acquiring carrier as specified in  $\S36.3(d)(1)$  to determine the category relationships for the acquiring carrier's post-transfer study area.

(e) Any local exchange carrier study area converting from average schedule company status, as defined in §69.605(c) of this chapter, to cost company status during the period July 1, 2001, through June 30, 2006, shall, for the first twelve months subsequent to conversion categorize the telecommunications plant and expenses and develop separations allocation factors in accordance with the separations procedures in effect as of December 31, 2000. Effective July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2006, such companies shall utilize the separations allocation factors and account categorization subject to the requirements of §§ 36.3(a) and (b) based on the category relationships and allocation factors for the twelve months subsequent to the conversion to cost company status.

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## Subpart B—Telecommunications Property

GENERAL

### §36.101 Section arrangement.

(a) This subpart is arranged in sections as follows:

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Telecommunications Plant in Service—Account 2001—36.101 and 36.102.

General Support Facilities—Account 2110—36.111 and 36.112.

Central Office Equipment—Accounts 2210, 2220, 2230—36.121 thru 36.126.

Information Origination/Termination Equipment—Account 2310—36.141 and 36.142.

Cable and Wire Facilities—Account 2410—36.151 thru 36.157.

 $\begin{array}{cccc} Amortization & Assets—Accounts & 2680 & and \\ 2690 — 36.161 & and & 36.162. \end{array}$ 

Telecommunications Plant—Other Accounts 2002 thru 2005—36.171.

Rural Telephone Bank Stock—36.172.

Material and Supplies—Accounts 1220, and Cash Working Capital—36.181 and 36.182.

Equal Access Equipment—36.191.

[60 FR 12138, Mar. 6, 1995]

### § 36.102 General.

(a) This section contains an outline of the procedures used in the assignment of Telecommunications Plant in Service—Account 2001 to categories and the apportionment of the cost assigned to each category among the operations.

(b) The treatment of rental plant is outlined in §§36.2(c) through 36.2(e). If the amount of such plant is substantial, the cost may be determined by using the general procedures set forth for the assignment of the various kinds of property to categories.

(c) The amount of depreciation deductible from the book cost or "value" is apportioned among the operations in proportion to the separation of the cost of the related plant accounts.

GENERAL SUPPORT FACILITIES

## §36.111 General.

(a) The costs of the general support facilities are contained in Account 2110, Land and Support Assets. This account contains land, buildings, motor

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vehicles, aircraft, special purpose vehicles, garage work equipment, other work equipment, furniture, office equipment and general purpose computers.

### § 36.112 Apportionment procedure.

(a) The costs of the general support facilities of Class A Companies (which are defined in part 32 of the Commission's Rules) are apportioned among the operations on the basis of the separation of the costs of the combined Big Three Expenses which include the following accounts:

#### PLANT SPECIFIC EXPENSES

6210	Central	Office	Switching	Expenses

6220 Operators Systems Expenses

6230 Central Office Transmission Expenses 6310 Information Origination/Termination Expenses

6410 Cable and Wire Facilities Expenses

PLANT NON-SPECIFIC EXPENSES

6530 Network Operations Expenses

CUSTOMER OPERATIONS EXPENSES

6610 Marketing

6620 Services

(b) The costs of the general support facilities for Class B Companies (which are defined by part 32 of the Commission's Rules) are apportioned among the operations on the basis of the separation of the costs of Central Office Equipment, Information Origination/Termination Equipment, and Cable and Wire Facilities, combined.

[52 FR 17229, May 6, 1987, as amended at 53 FR 33012, Aug. 29, 1988]

## CENTRAL OFFICE EQUIPMENT

# §36.121 General.

(a) The costs of central office equipment are carried in the following accounts:

Central Office Switching	Account 2210
Analog Electronic	Account 2211
Switching.	
Digital Electronic	Account 2212
Switching.	
Electro-Mechanical	Account 2215
Switching.	
Operator Systems	Account 2220
Central Office—Trans-	Account 2230
mission.	
Radio Systems	Account 2231
Circuit Equipment	Account 2232

- (b) Records of the cost of central office equipment are usually maintained for each study area separately by accounts. However, each account frequently includes equipment having more than one use. Also, equipment in one account frequently is associated closely with equipment in the same building in another account. Therefore, the separations procedures for central office equipment have been designed to deal with categories of plant rather than with equipment in an account.
- (c) In the separation of the cost of central office equipment among the operations, the first step is the assignment of the equipment in each study area to categories. The basic method of making this assignment is the identification of the equipment assignable to each category, and the determination of the cost of the identified equipment by analysis of accounting, engineering and other records.
- (1) The cost of common equipment not assigned to a specific category, e.g., common power equipment, including emergency power equipment, aisle lighting and framework, including distributing frames, is distributed among the categories in proportion to the cost of equipment, (excluding power equipment not dependent upon common power equipment) directly assigned to categories.
- (i) The cost of power equipment used by one category is assigned directly to that category, e.g., 130 volt power supply provided for circuit equipment. The cost of emergency power equipment protecting only power equipment used by one category is also assigned directly to that category.
- (ii) Where appropriate, a weighting factor is applied to the cost of circuit equipment in distributing the power plant costs not directly assigned, in order to reflect the generally greater power use per dollar of cost of this equipment.
- (d) The second step is the apportionment of the cost of the equipment in each category among the operations through the application of appropriate use factors or by direct assignment.